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## LEGISLATURE IN SESSION.

Organization Completed in Both  
Houses.

## COCONINO COUNTY RECOG- NIZED AT LAST.

Charles Canall Appointed Sergeant-  
at-Arms to the Assembly—  
Ashurst Temporary  
Secretary.

The Nineteenth Legislature met in Phoenix Monday noon. The two Houses were full with the exception of one member of the Council—Packard of Cochise—and two members of the Assembly—Smith of Navajo and Master-son of Yuma.

### THE COUNCIL.

Fred Hughes of Pima was elected President of the Council; Frank Baxter of Maricopa, chief clerk; Harry B. Fox of Graham, enrolling and engrossing clerk; L. B. St. James of Yavapai, sergeant-at-arms; J. G. Kilpatrick of Mohave, watchman, and Master Arthur Dunbar of Coconino (Williams), page.

### THE ASSEMBLY.

The Assembly was called to order by G. W. Hull, who was accorded this honor on account of his long service as an Arizona lawmaker. Hon. Henry F. Ashurst of Coconino was elected secretary of the temporary organization. L. O. Cowan of Mohave, Aaron Goldberg of Maricopa and G. W. Skinner of Graham were appointed a committee on credentials. The committee reported shortly after—the list of the members-elect—which was adopted.

D. G. Chalmers of Pima was elected Speaker; W. S. Adams of Yavapai, chief clerk; S. A. D. Upton, assistant chief clerk; Charles Pickins of Pinal, enrolling and engrossing clerk; C. N. Stark of Coconino, assistant enrolling and engrossing clerk; Charles Canall of Coconino, sergeant-at-arms; Master Arthur Franklin of Maricopa, page; G. H. Hunt of Gila, watchman.

Owing to the illness of Governor Franklin the Governor's message was unfinished and can not be given to the Legislature for several days. The Governor's condition has been critical but he is improving now.

Our special correspondent gives Tuesday's proceedings as follows:

The principal business of the Tuesday morning session was the choice of a chaplain. The successful man was Rev. Cal. Ogburn, pastor of the Christian church. Mr. Skinner from Graham introduced a joint resolution formally establishing the offices of assistant chief clerk, assistant enrolling and engrossing clerk, journal clerk and three committee clerks. Capt. Parker's amendment requiring two of the committee clerks to be stenographers was afterward withdrawn. Mr. Reppy then amended to make the salaries of the assistant chief clerk and the journal clerk \$5 per diem each. The amended resolution carried, but further action on the matter was blocked pending its disposition in the Council.

A futile attempt was made by Mr. Goodwin of Maricopa to pass a "no smoking" resolution, but it was annihilated in the flower of its youth. Mr. Goodwin's resolution was seconded by Mr. Ashurst, but as the resolution did not designate where and when the habit was to be restricted, it was laid on the table, and several of the members lit fresh cigars.

Several familiar faces from the north were observed in the lobby, among the most prominent ones being C. A. Bush, T. G. Norris, Niles J. Cameron and Millard Love.

[NOTE.—A full account of the proceedings of the Nineteenth Legislature

will appear in these columns. We have a special correspondent on the scene.]

The petrified forests, one of Coconino county's numerous great natural curiosities, has been withdrawn from entry by the Land Office at Prescott.

The Catholic Cathedral at Tucson will be dedicated February 7, 1897. At the fair given last month \$5,200 was realized from the proceeds. It was widely attended by great numbers throughout the southern part of the Territory.

Doubtless one of the greatest inventions of the 19th century is the "Cyclodial Chariot," which will be on exhibition at the centennial celebration at Nashville, Tennessee. It will far eclipse the great Ferris Wheel. It will run on inclined rails, and reach a point 200 feet above the ground. The contrivance will consist of ten cars capable of holding forty persons to each car, and will be operated with electricity.

The Spanish meaning of trocha is "a narrow path across a high road." In Cuba the trocha of the war means a line dividing bodies of troops. Capt. Gen. Weyler had it built originally to divide the insurgent forces, part of which were in the western portion of the island under Maceo and the rest in the eastern portion under Gomez and Garcia. A correspondent describes this barricade as consisting principally of a barred wire fence three feet six inches high, with sentinal detachments immediately behind it. About forty yards back of this is a trench three feet wide and four feet deep, with a breastwork of palmetto logs; fifty yards further back are log houses in which the Spanish troops are quartered. The number of soldiers required to guard the whole line is about 15,000.

That things are not what they seem was evidenced in an Iowa town the other afternoon. A spruce young lady, clad in a brand-new suit of elegantly fitting bloomers, stepped into a bicycle repair shop to get her bike fixed. The reprehensible repair man had been seriously troubled with bicycle loafers and cranks, who persisted in sitting on his counter. A bright idea entered his head and it was promptly put into execution. A liberal quantity of the best XXX tire cement was spread over the surface of the counter and results anxiously awaited. As the pretty bloomer girl trotted in with her wheel, the repair man was so flustered for the time that he did not notice with what exquisite grace she hopped upon the bright and shiny counter. She sat there until her bicycle had been fixed, which was done by pumping the tires full of wind. She attempted to slide off the counter, but her bloomers stuck fast. The looseness of the garment allowed her to reach the floor with the tips of her slippers, but she could go no farther. The bicycle repairer nearly fainted on noticing the predicament of his customer, but at length regained his senses sufficiently to rush out to the nearest grocery and get a quart of benzine, which is a valuable antidote for accidents of this kind. The counter and bloomers were liberally soaked with the fluid and after fifteen minutes waiting the bloomer maid, by this time in tears, was released from her ridiculous position.

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The county printing for Apache county was awarded to the St. Johns Herald for \$1000. The printing to be done for Apache county amounts to less than half of that for Coconino county—which was given to a side-winder sheet for \$475.

"The difference at present between the handsome young woman and the codfish," said the Cheerful Idiot, in answer to a question he had evidently put to himself before sitting down at the table—the difference between the handsome young woman and the codfish is that one has a chance to become a full bride and the other to become a ball fried."

Murat Master-son, Democratic Assemblyman-elect from Yuma county, wired his resignation Saturday to the Board of Supervisors of that county, he being absent on an important mining deal. Governor Franklin will now have to issue an election proclamation for ten days, to elect his successor. Yuma will be without a representative in the lower House during this time.

Sam Shortridge of California has achieved distinction inviting a trinity of turn-downs. First, at the St. Louis convention, which denied him a seat; second, by Miss Spreckles, now Mrs. Watson, who refused him a heart; third, by the State Legislature, which declined to consider him for Senator. There is a suspicion that Shortridge forgot to provide himself with a rabbit's foot.

For the next two months the Cuban war must take a rear seat. Corbett and Fitzsimmons have the right of way, and from the manner in which they start off on their new attraction the daily papers must have space to burn. Two and three columns every day now; all about the iron-jawed pugilists. They may fight and they may not fight. If they do the battle ground will be in the vicinity of Reno, Nev., and the date March 17.

WHAT is claimed to have been a "snap" caucus was held by thirteen Democratic members of the Assembly in Phoenix Saturday afternoon. Hon. Henry F. Ashurst of Coconino county distinguished himself by his antagonism to such methods, and fought hard to have the caucus adjourn until the other nine members could be present. The nominees of the caucus were elected when the Assembly convened Monday.

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